PRAYER

THANKSGIVING

ALMIGHTY

TO BE USED

In all Churches and Chapels throughout His Majesty's Province of *New-Brunswick*, on the Twenty-seventh of this instant, being the Day appointed by Proclamation for THANKSGIVING to Almighty God, for putting an End to the late bloody, extensive, and expensive War in which we were engaged.

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FORM OF PRAYER

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THANKSGIVING

TO

Almighty GOD.

¶ *The Service ſhall be the ſame with the uſual Office for Holidays, except where it is in this Office otherwiſe appointed.*

¶ *Let him that miniſtereth read with a loud Voice theſe Sentences of Scripture; and after them the Exhortation,* Dearly beloved Brethren, *&c.*

ASCRIBE unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the People; aſcribe unto the Lord Worſhip and Power,

Unto Thee, O God, will I pay my vows: unto Thee will I give thanks.

I will offer to Thee the ſacrifice of thankſgiving, and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

¶ *Inſtead*

¶ *Inſtead of the* Venite, *this Hymn ſhall be uſed.*

O Give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, and his Mercy endureth for ever.

Let them give thanks, whom the Lord hath redeemed, and delivered from the hand of the Enemy.

O love the Lord all ye his Saints, for the Lord preſerveth them that are faithful, and plenteouſly rewardeth the proud doer.

The Lord ſhall ſtand by them, and ſave them; he ſhall deliver them from the ungodly, and ſhall ſave them, becauſe they put their truſt in Him.

He ruleth with his Power for ever: His eyes behold the People, and ſuch as will not believe, ſhall not be able to exalt themſelves.

It is of the Lord's Mercy, that we are not conſumed, becauſe His compaſſions fail not.

Thou, O Lord, art my defender: Thou art my Worſhip, and the lifter up of my Head.

I will always give thanks unto the Lord, His praiſe ſhall be ever in my mouth.

Glory be to the Father, *&c.*
As it was in the beginning, &c.

¶ *Proper*

¶ *Proper Pſalms*, XXIX, XXXIII, CXLVI.

¶ *Proper Leſſons*: { *Firſt*, Levit. XXVI. 3—12. Te Deum. *Second*, Matt. V. 1—26.

Jubilate Deo.

¶ *The* Creed, *&c. to the End of the Lord's Prayer.*

¶ *Then the Prieſt, ſtanding up, ſhall ſay;*

Prieſt. O Lord ſhew thy mercy upon us.

Anſw. And grant us thy ſalvation.

Prieſt. O Lord, ſave the King.

Anſw. Who putteth his truſt in Thee.

Prieſt. Send him help from thy holy Place.

Anſw. And evermore mightily defend him.

Prieſt. Let his enemies have no advantage againſt him.

Anſw. Let not the wicked approach to hurt him.

Prieſt. Endue thy miniſters with righteouſneſs,

Anſw. And make thy choſen people joyful.

Prieſt. O Lord, ſave thy people.

Anſw. And bleſs thine inheritance.

Prieſt. Give Peace in our time, O Lord.

Anſw. Becauſe there is none other that fighteth for us, but only Thou, O God.

Prieſt. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Anſw. And take not thy holy Spirit from us.

¶ *Inſtead*

¶ *Inſtead of the Firſt Collect for the Day, the following Prayer ſhall be uſed.*

O Almighty Lord God, who ruleſt in all the kingdoms of the earth, bringing to nought by Thy Wiſdom the devices of the Prudent, and caſting down by Thy Power the might of the Stout-hearted; we yield Thee thanks and praiſe for Thy abundant loving kindneſs, in putting a ſtop to the rage and devaſtations of War, and reſtoring, to this and other Countries, the Bleſſing of Peace. Give us grace, we beſeech Thee, to improve this Thy great Mercy to Thy Glory, the Advancement of Thy Truth, and the good of Mankind. Cleanſe us, O Lord, from all our Abominations, and renew a right Spirit within us; that henceforth we provoke not, as many times heretofore we have done, Thy wrath and indignation againſt us, but become a holy nation, an obedient people, walking in the ways of godlineſs, and knit together in Love and Charity, Unity and Concord. And mercifully vouchſafe to grant, that we may tranſmit to our poſterity the bleſſings which, through Thy Goodneſs, we have ſo long enjoyed, of our free Monarchy and pure Religion. Theſe things we humbly beg in the Name and Mediation of Jeſus Chriſt Thy Son our Lord.

Amen.

¶ *Then ſhall follow the* Second *and* Third Collects *at* Morning Prayer.

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¶ *In the End of the Litany, which ſhall be uſed on this Day, the following Prayer ſhall be ſaid after the Collect,* "We humbly beſeech Thee, *&c.*

O LORD our Creator and Preſerver, who haſt made of one blood all nations of men upon the face of the whole earth, haſten, we beſeech Thee, that bleſſed time, when nation ſhall not lift up ſword againſt nation, neither ſhall they learn war any more; but the work of Righteouſneſs ſhall be Peace, and the effect of Righteouſneſs, quietneſs and aſſurance for ever; and the whole Earth ſhall be filled with the light of the glorious Goſpel of thy Son, to whom with Thee, O Father, and with Thee, O Holy Ghoſt, be all Honour, Praiſe, and Thankſgiving, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then read to the End of* Morning Prayer, *adding after the* General Thankſgiving *the following Thankſgiving.*

O Moſt Merciful Father, of whoſe gift it cometh that the earth is fruitful, we give Thee humble thanks, that, of Thy great bounty, Thou haſt crowned the laſt year with plenty in the Parent State, and haſt thereby removed the diſtreſſes of our fellow-ſubjects, which were occaſioned by dearth and ſcarcity. And whilſt we recognize this, with Thy other mercies conferred upon them; be graciouſly pleaſed to accept of our grateful praiſes for Thy manifold bleſſings vouchſafed to the inhabitants of this Province; eſpecially for our preſervation during the late unexampled war, which has been marked

ted by the greateſt calamities in every quarter of the world. Under the protecting ſhield of Thy providence, we have, without interruption, enjoyed the light and privileges of Thy holy Goſpel; whilſt perſecution, even unto death, for adherence to Thy word, has been the portion of multitudes. Health, and plenty, and tranquillity have prevailed in our highly favoured land; whilſt peſtilence, and famine, and all the deſolating ravages of war, have viſited ſo many other countries, and multiplied the miſeries of mankind.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but to Thy adorable name be the praiſe aſcribed. O make us duly ſenſible of Thy goodneſs, and unfeignedly thankful for Thy unmerited favours. Give us grace, we beſeech Thee to improve them to Thy glory; and may ſuch a deep and laſting ſenſe of them be impreſſed upon our minds, as ſhall lead us to unfeigned repentance, reformation, and zeal in Thy cauſe. Continue, O Thou overflowing fountain of beneficence and mercy, continue Thy loving kindneſs towards us; and enable us, according to our bounden duty, to adorn the Goſpel of our Lord and Saviour by holineſs of life, and unwearied endeavours to pleaſe and ſerve Thee; through Jeſus Chriſt our ever bleſſed Redeemer. *Amen.*

The Communion Service.

¶ *Inſtead of the Collect for the King,* "Almighty God whoſe Kingdom, *&c.*" *the following ſhall be uſed.*

O Almighty Lord God, to whoſe powerful protection righteous Kings owe the proſperity of their government, and the ſafety of their perſons, we, Thine unworthy ſervants, offer unto Thee our unfeigned thankſgivings for Thy great Goodneſs, ſo often manifeſted to this nation, in the preſervation of the life of Thy ſervant our Sovereign, upon various occaſions during the late political diſtractions, from the deſigns and attempts of wicked men; by which Thou haſt reſcued this Church and Kingdom from deſtruction. Preſerve him evermore, we beſeech Thee, from the gathering together of the froward, and from the inſurrection of evil doers. Infatuate the counſels, and fruſtrate the attempts of his enemies. Grant him long to continue the nurſing Father of Thy Church, and the faithful Miniſter of thy Bleſſings to his People, that after a prolonged and proſperous reign on Earth, he may receive in Heaven the crown of Glory which fadeth not away, through the merits of Jeſus Chriſt Thy ſon our Lord. *Amen.*

Inſtead

Inſtead of the Collect of the Day.

O Moſt merciful God, who, in Thy Mercy, haſt given us reſt from our enemies; give us alſo underſtanding to ſee, and hearts to follow, the things that be for our Peace. Put away from us all bitterneſs and wrath, all malicious and revengeful thoughts; and give us grace freely to forgive, as thou haſt commanded, thoſe who have injured or offended us, and to be reunited with them in the bands of Chriſtian Charity. Grant, O Lord, that being delivered from our enemies abroad, we may live in godlineſs and honeſty at home, in dutiful ſubjection to the King, and in brotherly Love and Charity one towards another; that ſo in all things we may adorn The Goſpel of Thy bleſſed Son, our Saviour, to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghoſt, be all Honour and Glory, world without end.

Amen.

The Epiſtle. 1 John IV. 7—12.

BELOVED, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. In this was manifeſted the love of God towards us, becauſe that God ſent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love; not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and ſent his Son to be the propitiation for our ſins. Beloved, if God ſo loved us, we ought alſo to love one another. No man hath ſeen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

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The Goſpel. St. Matthew V. *Ver.* 43, *to the End.*

YE have heard that it hath been ſaid, Thou ſhalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy: But I ſay unto you, Love your enemies, bleſs them that curſe you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them that deſpitefully uſe you, and perſecute you: That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his ſun to riſe on the evil and on the good, and ſendeth rain on the juſt and on the unjuſt. For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? Do not even the publicans the ſame? And if ye ſalute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans ſo? Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

¶ *Then ſhall follow the* Nicene Creed; *and after that the Sermon.*

After the Prayer "for the whole ſtate of Chriſt's Church," *the following ſhall be uſed.*

O LORD our God, abundant in goodneſs and truth, whoſe tender mercies are over all thy works, we implore thy compaſſion for the whole race of man, but more eſpecially we beſeech Thee to look down with pity on the Church, which thy Son has purchaſed with his blood, particularly on the reformed parts of it. And we humbly entreat Thee, to enlighten all thoſe who are in darkneſs and error, and to bring them to the underſtanding

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and acknowledgment of Thy truth; that we may all become one Fold, under one Shepherd, Jesus Christ the Righteous, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy Governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the Petitions of them that ask in thy Son's name; we beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine Ears to us that have made now our Prayers and Supplications unto Thee; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to Thy Will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy Glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Priest (or Bishop, if he be present) shall let them depart with this Blessing:*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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